

COL GIBSON LEAVES



After three months as Executive Officer at Dibble, Colonel Howland A. Gibson leaves for a new assignment at Fort Rosencrans, California. His place will be taken by Lt Col Brady, who was stationed at DeWitt General Hospital, in Auburn. Col Streit bids him goodbye here.

S. F. Champs Roll Ten Pins At "Command Performance" In Dibble Bowling Center

Climaxing the recent opening of Dibble's new bowling alleys, Special Services presented a galaxy of 12 kegling stars in a "Command Performance" for the entire hospital personnel last Monday night, 26 November. Under the auspices of the San Francisco USO Council, the star-studded champs brought new tricks of the trade to view as well as displaying the utmost in form and skill.

Leading off the feature attraction of Ward 22 South was Ora Mayer, all event champion and 1935 holder of the ABC. The back swing of Niel Mohs gives him the nick-name of "Rusty Gate", who, by the way, will represent San Francisco at the nationals in Chicago. Unique was Ernie Towtschmann, dubbed the "Yodeling Swiss", whose average for the past 10 years is a smooth 228! Known as the "Praying Painter", his style reveals why, Bill Kratter is also captioned as the

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Latest WD Discharge Dope Leaves 40 Detachment Men Eligible for Tweeds

Lowering the discharge point score to 55 and the separation from the service of men with four years of honorable service has been officially released by the War Department in the latest modification of the Army's discharge system. Falling under these two categories at Dibble are about 40 men in the Enlisted Detachment.

By today, 1 December, the Army estimates it will have either discharged or eligible for release approximately 5,000,000 men. This figure includes more than 3,500,000 actually discharged, and 1,483,000 eligible for separation. This means that of the 8,300,000 men in the Army on VE Day, 3,300,000 are still in service.

The Army, however, is larger than that because of continued inductions and enlistments, which are coming in at the

rate of 1,000 volunteers daily.

According to press dispatches, men with three or more dependent children under 18 years of age are eligible for release today, also. WAC's, too, will benefit under the new order. If they are married, regardless of when, and enlisted before 12 May 1945, they can apply for discharge. This applies to both WAC officers and enlisted personnel. The new point score for EW is now 32, that for officers still remains at 37.

Not affected by the new point release are these critically needed specialists: medical laboratory, dental and X-ray technicians. They cannot be held longer than six months from the date of eligibility for discharge. Up until now, only orthopedic mechanics and electro-encephalographic specialists were on the list.



Kegling Kings! Four ambitious bowlers show the boys how to sweep the alleys clean: Sgt Paul Doan, Cpl James Rogers, Wd 19, S/Sgt Harry Lund, Wd 4, and Pfc Leroy Hoagland, Wd 4.



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OPERATIONS CIVVY

Many people say being a civilian is no good, that after being one for a few weeks you'll wish to hell you were back in the Army. They're nuts.

The discharge simply means that you are free to begin living your own life. It's good to be free like that but it has some drawbacks.

I've found that people generally try to give you little breaks here and there because you were in the service but they don't fall all over themselves. There are a couple of reasons:

One is that so many guys have come home with ribbons and war stories that they are no longer a novelty. The other reason is that once in a while they run into some punk who got his first pair of shoes in the Army and is anxious to see how many free beers his uniform will get. He pops off about what a raw deal he's getting and he asks every civilian between 16 and 60 "Why ain't you in uniform, bud?"

Since being home I've found that almost the loudest of those have suffered the least. After a citizen runs into a few of these characters he is going to be very cautious about the honest guys who have had their pants shot off, lost their girls while overseas, can't find jobs and are just trying to get along.

If you have to deal with some mug who got fat from the war and doesn't want to give you your due, get as tough as you like and throw the book at him. But until you're sure about him, don't approach him with a chip on your shoulder and a "I was in the Army where the hell were you" attitude.

Maybe he isn't wearing a discharge button—they look like hell and they break the second day you wear them—chances are he dug holes all the way from Tunisia to Berlin, and even if he didn't he's probably been approached that way before. And he's getting a little defensive.

—BILL MAULDIN

TAKE YOUR PICK

"World War III is under way. We are on the verge of being compelled to decide whether we are going to save Britain from Russia. Stalin is strong enough to be the world's leading isolationist. He is going to want some of what Britain has got and Britain never gives up anything until American resources have been completely exhausted."

Gerald L. K. Smith

"We are not isolationists. Intelligent people cannot be isolationists. We are part of the world, and the world is part of us . . . Through national organization we cooperate with each other, and it is through that cooperation with the other nations of the world that we hope to preserve peace and make sure there are no more wars."

General Dwight D. Eisenhower

GRIPES GET QUICK REMEDY

As a direct result of complaints received at Dibble's Gripe Session last 9 November, Col Streit has already effected a number of remedies.

The heating problem in the WAC cadre rooms has been partially solved by adjusting ceiling ventilators.

Patients' three-day passes have been tacked onto weekends, making them in effect, four-and-a-half-day passes.

Congestion at the PX Cafeteria coffee line has been alleviated by designating the morning period from 0930 to 1030 for coffee and rolls only.

Bed patients now may have beer at their Sunday ward mess, if they want it. All other messes serve beer on Sunday.

Field jackets have been issued to all Detachment men who had none. If you're still minus a field jacket, see the Supply Sergeant.

The Hobby Class' lack of OT facilities has been remedied. All persons, including Miss Donelson, OT head, now breathe easier.

If you're still PO'd over some deal you think is cockeyed, write to the Editor, DIBBLE DATA.

Medal of Honor Equals Discharge

If you've got the Medal of Honor, and are not an officer in the RA, you can get out of this man's Army under provision of WD Cir 332.

Chapel Services

PROTESTANT

Chaplain Claude E. Adams

Sunday: Worship Service, NP Section, 0900; Worship Service, Chapel, 1000; Musical Program, NP Section, 1830. Tuesday: Bible Study and Discussion, Chapel, 1830. Office Consultation Hours: Each week day, 1030-1130 and 1300-1400.

CATHOLIC

Chaplain William P. O'Connor

Sunday: Mass, Chapel, 0600 and 1100; Mass, NP Section, 0900. Mass: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, 1645; Tuesday, Thursday, 0700. Monday: Mass, Novena, and Benediction, 1645; Rosary and Novena, 1930. Saturday: Confessions, 1900-2100. Confessions before and after each Mass.

JEWISH

Rabbi Emanuel Kumin

Saturday: Sabbath Service, Chapel, 0930.

Chaplains available for consultation at any time. Call Extension 299.

All personnel, military, and civilian, and their family and friends, are invited to attend the services of their choice.

GOD'S BEST BLESSINGS ON YOU!

RAMP Gave Nips 'Bad Time' In Nine Varied Languages

Although more than three years as a Jap prisoner was no funny story, Cpl Antonio Perfili, Wd 3, brought back a wry collection of anecdotes from the Pacific.

An ex-language teacher at San Rafael, California, Perfili found methods to keep himself and his captors busy during his imprisonment—in nine languages! The Italian-born RAMP was an Air Corps Supply Clerk at Clarke Field when the Japs attacked. A prisoner in the Philippines, he was shipped via prison boat to the Nip mainland in late '42.

Strolling School Room

Fellow prisoners in the Philippines got permission for the linguist to hold classes. After some Americans had escaped, these gatherings were forbidden by the Nips because "the classes taught men how to speak to the natives and made escape easier." Not to be squelched, Perfili conducted "a walking schoolroom" in French, Spanish, German and philosophy. He was promptly dubbed "Aristotle" by his strolling pupils. As a prisoner on the mainland, "Aristotle" added Japanese to his repertoire.

Does Original Interpretation

Most ironic of all Perfili's tales concerns the occasion when he was called to translate between his prison commander and a German ship captain, bringing a load of war materials for his Axis partner. The unloading had to be finished before midnight, which was sailing time. Neither of the principals could speak any but their own language, so Perfili was called to interpret.

Nazi: Where can I unload this shipment of materials?

Perfili: (to Jap) He wants to visit this prison camp.

Jap: I cannot allow him to visit the camp. He must first get permission of the War Ministry.

Perfili: (to Nazi) He says he has no place to unload here. (Nazi curses, waves his fists. Jap is alarmed, begins to draw his sword.)

Nazi: Roundhead! I'm in a hurry!

Perfili: (to Jap) He wants to know if there are any Dutch women in this camp.

Jap: Does he think to get married here?

Perfili: It seems to me he is looking for a sweetheart. (Nazi threatens Jap commander again. Nip guards rush in with fixed bayonets. By this time it is midnight.)

Nazi: What a squarehead! (He gives the Nazi salute and goes his way.)

Perfili winds up his story, "The ship left, fully loaded. Two days later, a Japanese workman in the yards told me that the ship was torpedoed by an American sub off the coast. All the men and the entire load were lost."

GI ARISTOTLE



Six More Find "Home in Army"

The DGH Recruiting Office lists six new reenlistments: M/Sgt Ray Williamson, S/Sgts John McCarthy, Ralph Marshall, T/4 Jack Wilson, Cpl George Munyer, Pfc Carl Long. S/Sgt McCarthy will take 1st Sgt Thompson's place as Recruiting Sergeant when he leaves for Ft Bragg, North Carolina.

Shoe-Fitting Machine to Ease Those Aching Dogs

Those GI aching feet got a boon last week in the form of a unique new shoe-fitting machine installed in Dibble's orthopedic brace shop.

Designed to aid men whose feet are battle casualties and refuse to fit into ordinary shoes, the machine is one of four in the entire country. Lt Col Maurice M. Pike, chief of orthopedic surgery, and Steve Cravath were DGH representatives in a school at the Boston QM Depot, where orthopedic mechanics were taught operation of the new machine.

Invented by the United Shoe Machinery company, the machine uses the principle used in making a foot impression on beach sand. The patient steps with his injured foot into a box filled with bearings, resembling shot. The miniature bearings are magnetized, and an electric current freezes them into the imprint of the foot.

The foot is removed, and a wax-impregnated oil stocking, softened with hot water, is placed over the bearings and pressed into contours of the mold. The patient sets his foot back into the impression, a frame is placed over the foot and plaster of paris poured in. Lasts are made from the original plaster casts, with special cork forms used where toes or portions of the foot are missing, so that the shoe appears normal.



Watching Steve Cravath take T/5 Roy Jacobsen's foot impression are Charles Kilham, who helped develop the machine, Col Streit, Lt Col Walker and Lt Col Pike.



All present and accounted for!

CIVIL TONGUES

Turkey and all the trimmings played fourth at Hope Witt's household Thanksgiving day. First, second and third honors going to her three sons, Navy Lt Bob, ex-Army sarge Woodrow, and Air Corpsman Sheldon. The reunion marked the first get-together in three years. Justly proud of her three handsome representatives of three service branches, Hope is in Military Personnel.

Transition from GI garb to glamor wardrobe looks good on blond Pat Johnson, Info desk. Her current diet isn't 'cause her civies wouldn't fit . . . she's been promised an orchid for every pound lost by Christmas.



Matching the sparkle in her eye is the matched sparkle on the third finger, left hand, of Military Personnel's Ruthie Anderson. Just back

from her vacation, she'll be Mrs. Severance when the knot is tied. Double-cross to Dibble though, he's in the Navy.

The great day finally came for Phyllis Solon when hubby Cy came back from months and months of shipboard duty. She's back on the job at Military Personnel now.

Still tossing off rice grains are newlyweds Catherine Jacques and Frank Soule. An ex-WAC, the bride has joined the civilian staff at Military Personnel, her newly-acquired spouse, a patient here.

The Wolf

by Sansone



BOQ

By Koffee Kid

Lt "My-aching-back" Randall reports increased activity on the 'social front . . . advances, paries and counterattacks held the field as the 'You, to, can have a phone number" bureau gave out with the info. Welcome to Lt "Baby-face" Cheeks, recent of Ft. Lewis . . . a good man, a regular guy, prone to party.

Lt Mayhue is the boy who makes good . . . wait until the folks back home learn he has an estate . . . the Douglas Estate!

Hoosier Tudor giving out with foundry lingo, "Where does a layman go to register?" . . . He's now the man behind the man with the gun, and the man behind him. Lt Berkeley's self imposed "hot-



foot" antics in the morning leaves all tired before the day starts . . . undoubtedly a Charles Atlas convert with muscles on the way. Recently-returned Lt Siebenmorgen from Indiana says his state has the climate . . . California merely has a Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Howe of strike, spare and split fame, now enrooted at the bowling alleys, invites all takers in a small venture of athletic endeavoring . . . his latest and best score, 128.

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Things to see . . . Lt Stutman parading in his new battle jacket . . . Lt Wolf's new press job on an old fender . . . Lt Crane coming in at two after work in the "office" . . . Lt Chiles looking relieved after the return of Major Borchert . . . Lt McCall on a pogo stick inspecting the hospital . . . Lt Thieler and Capt Miner sliding into breakfast just under the wire . . . New Capt Feuerburgh polishing his extra bar.

Back To The Mines

The guiding brass that has shone on DIBBLE DATA since its birth, back in April, has flared into civilian glory. Lt Paul J. Lilly has gone "back to the mines" of Scranton, Pa., to continue spreading the light he shed at Dible as Educational Reconditioning and Information-Education Officer. His staff bids him a fond farewell.

Oh Nurse!

By Olive Drab



The Saipan - bound nurses who sailed from Panama three times and eventually wound up at Dibble —some thirty of them—are becoming rapidly adjusted to

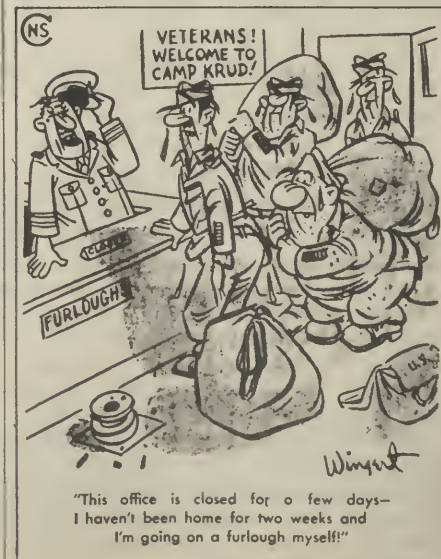
the rugged life here as Occupation troops . . . most of them are from the East, and the place is full of new dialogue.

Maybe in the East they do it that way —but it was mighty surprising to see two of the new nurses, Lts Ely and Gibbons calmly sipping 3.2 at the Officers' Club in their fatigues . . . foot lockers en route.

Newly wedded nurses soon to face the hard batter of civilian life include Lts Long-Mathwig and Hartigan-Winningham. . . . Poor man who simply danced with Lt A. Hatling never expected a broken arm out of the deal. She claims it was a refracture of an old break . . . he's not saying.

Calling signals in the rooms in quarters is simply a good system to get things accomplished. "Hike—42" means, "I want to open the closet door" . . . Two to a room has become a problem.

BUY A VICTORY BOND



WAC Wise

By Sob Sister



"Man coming through, man coming through" was the pleasant greeting to the gals of C-1 one night last week. Ex-Sgt Jack Musser, by legitimate request, was taking angle shots of the inmates garbed all the way from off-duty dresses to the GI pj's.

T/5's Eileen Richardson and Helen Hammel are no longer in the great Northwest (Baxter) but they'll soon learn that fire escapes in San Francisco theaters are for "Fire Only".

"It Might As Well Be Spring"—at least according to all the pre-Xmas nuptials, that's the way the story should go. Grocery shopping together are Pfc and Mrs. Lyndon Dewey Walker Jr., formerly Cpl Elsie Vieira, Dibble X-ray technician who hails from New Bedford, Mass. Hubby "Red" comes from way down 'thar in Newton, Texas. With the housing shortage as it is, they cast green eyes at Ginny and Chuck Stone, just back from a Seattle honeymoon, now happily encoined in a Menlo apartment. Included in the change-of-name department are Fisher to Schiele, Bolton to Eggleston, and Pellicier to Graynor.

Speaking of Songs, when that AWAIT-ED date releasing all married WACs finally does arrive, the theme of the day is sure to be "On My Way Out"—although don't anticipate any melancholy notes by the departees.

While Lou Abbott awaits patiently the troopship bearing Harry, "the last man released from the ETO", other arrivals have brought a New York phone call from Mattingly's long absent son, Mendoza's wire, "Say when, Mendy", and Laurel Young's ruby studded watch.

HIP . . . TWO, THREE, FOUR!



Anna Friedberg, of San Francisco, throws it around with George Anderson, Wd 34, looking a little dazed at the Thanksgiving Dance in the Patients' Rec Hall.

BROAD HOLIDAY PASS PROGRAM

The DGH patients' pass program for the Christmas and New Year holidays will be broad and liberal, according to Col Streit, Commanding Officer. All those men whose medical or surgical treatments can be deferred without ill effect will be given furloughs extending up to 8 January.

TDY's for overseas returnees will fall like snowflakes in the Sierras, and will run for the same length of time.

DIB-WACs vs. Camp Stoneman

DIB-WAC basketball six will journey to Camp Stoneman for the opening bout in their cage schedule on 7 December. Coached by S/Sgt Bob Wylie, the gals are captained by T/5 Dulon Sargent. About 12 regulars have turned out for weekly practice.

Ratings Fall to EM Detachment

Thirty-three EM of the Enlisted Detachment here were promoted to PFC last week.

Medical DT's

Homing pigeons . . . now roost in these lapels: Dick Coats—QM wizard; Art Norton—Supply king; Joe Kael—Mess vet; Ben Morrison—Flash boy; George Heppelle—I & E flicker; tiny George Fiene—NP midget; Rocky Barbour—GU brain . . . and a host of ex-1985-ers.

Grapevine . . . Cecil Thompson has recruited his last man . . . Ted Robinson has cardio-flutters on account of his heart's going pitty—"Patty" (!) . . . Carl Holt escapes the battle of paper work at Douglas, winds up shooting . . . as Red Cross projectionist.

Relax . . . Ed Hooper is running a new class in psychology, says it has to do with happiness in his nerve pattern . . . poor Ed ought to get off that fruit cake diet. Hot Shot Nate Benson's mustache fell off when his nag nudged in at a Bay Meadow's photo-finish.

Here it is 1 December . . . and us with only 36 points!

Reserve Officers to Get Promotion

Qualified reserve officers who have not yet received a promotion while on active duty will receive one promotion as they are separated, the War Department has announced. To be eligible for this promotion, the officer must have served two years in his present rank since 16 September 1940 and must have an efficiency rating of at least 35. This does not apply to promotions above the rank of Colonel.

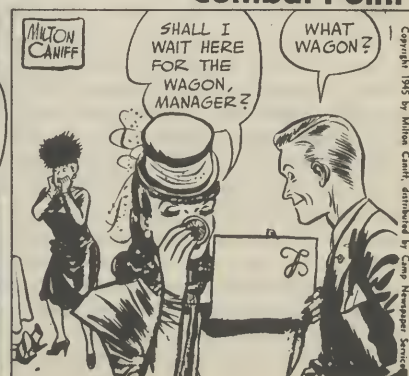
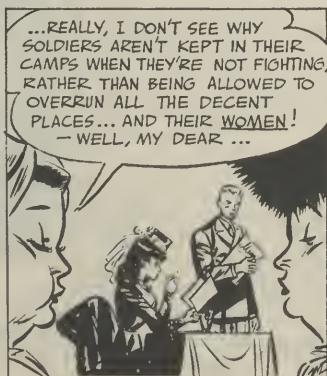
Majors Coleen, Hand, and Strain were promoted to Lt Colonels before they were separated last month.

WAC-EM Dance at Mills Hall

Mills Hall rang with music by the Ft Mason Band on 28 November, with WACs and Detachment men swinging out on the dance floor. Special Services hosts had turkey sandwiches, with plenty of beer and soft drinks. Party hours were from 2000 to 2300.

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



Combat Point

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TEN HOSPITALS LEFT BY 1 JULY

Only 10 of the 63 general hospitals now operating in the United States will be maintained to serve the post-war army, according to latest Washington dispatches. This will be twice the number operated by the pre-war army.

By 1 January 1946, 23 general hospitals will be closed; by 31 March of next year, 10 more will fold; and by 1 July, 1946, start of the 1947 fiscal year, it is expected that Army general hospitals in operation will be reduced to the final figure of 10.

Dibble now has over 3000 patients in its wards and, says Col Streit, more are coming. As a direct result of the closing of medical installations in the Ninth Service Command, (among them Baxter, Torney, Hoff, DeWitt and Hammond) the load here has been multiplied. Dibble is one of the general hospitals destined to remain open for a considerable length of time.

MORE ON BOWLING SHOW

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man who defies all bowling laws. If you remember Ned Day and Buddie Bomar, you'll appreciate the talents of San Francisco's "Bowling Fireman", Jim Twoomey:

Not to be outdone, the fair sex showed up with six gals who have "plenty on the ball". Tops on Rowena Nichols' record is that of being the only woman on the West Coast to bowl 300. Winning all the singles and all doubles events with Les Daley, Claire Knobenshub has the distinction of winning the "Grand Slam" of the San Francisco alleys.

"It's fun, it's exercise, it's good for a fellow beamed", beamed Vernon Moorhead and Cecil Carper about the new bowling alleys. Moorhead and Carper, both from Wd. 25 and steady visitors to the newest of Dibble's entertainment centers, say that it is the most worthwhile recreation offered here at the hospital.

Prizes are given as the payoff for the high point winner. For the highest score turned in for the week of November 18-25, Bowling Officer WOJG Edwin Howe awarded a case of Coca Cola. The highest score rolled in so far belongs to Wd. 4's topper, Pete Farrell with a 246 to his credit. According to Manager T/4 Fred Evanoff, Farell not only has the form, but more important, consistency.

Attendance is excellent among patient personnel and the Enlisted Men's Detachment. The score sheets show an average of 140 games rolled out a day. No tournament date has been set yet but the Blind Rehab boys and the WAC's have already formed well organized teams and it is urged that many will enter in the various Dibble personnel leagues now forming.

CINEMA

Sat., 1 Dec.	1900
Follow That Woman	
William Gargan, Nancy Kelly.	
Sun., Mon., 2-3 Dec.	1815-2015
Hold That Blonde	
Eddie Bracken, Veronica Lake.	
Tues., 4 Dec.	1815-2015
The Crimson Canary	
Noah Beery Jr., Lois Collier.	
An Angel Comes to Brooklyn	
Kaye Dowd, Robert Duke.	
Thurs., 6 Dec.	1815-2015
National Velvet (Revival)	
Mickey Rooney, Elizabeth Taylor.	
Fri., 7 Dec.	1815-2015
This Love of Ours	
Merle Oberon, Claude Rains.	
News	
Sat., 8 Dec.	1900
Allotment Wives	
Kay Francis, Paul Kelley.	
This Is America	
Sun., Mon., 9-10 Dec.	1815-2015
San Antonio (Technicolor)	
Errol Flynn, Alexis Smith, Raymond Massey	
Tues., 11 Dec.	1815-2015
Ding Dong Williams	
Glenn Vernon, Marcia McGuire	
Thurs., 13 Dec.	1815-2015
Pillows of Death	
Lon Chaney Jr., Brenda Joyce.	
Fri., 14 Dec.	1815-2015
Pardon My Past	
Fred McMurray, Marguerite Chapman, Akin Tamirof	

Patients Entertainment Schedule

Sat., 1 Dec.		
Kitchen Party		RC 1900
Sun., 2 Dec.		
McKinney Movie,		
"Heavenly Days"		RC 1415
Informal Party		RC 1900
Mon., 3 Dec.		
GI Movie		Recon 1300
U.S.O. Show "Hollywood to Broadway"		S.S. 1800
Tues., 4 Dec.		
GI Movie		Recon 1300
RC Movie		RC 1730-1915
Wed., 5 Dec.		
Business Forum		Recon 1000
Game Night		RC 1900
Thurs., 6 Dec.		
Movie—"Baseball of 1944"		Recon 1300
Shell Variety Show		S.S. 1930
Fri., 7 Dec.		
Group Discussion		Recon 1300
Arthur Murray Dance		
Class		RC 1500
Photographer, Lounge		RC 1600
Movie		RC 1730-1915

"Dribblers" Bow to Stanford In First Warm-Up Cage Bout

By S/Sgt Bob Wylie

The "Dibble Dribblers" dropped their first practice basketball game to Stanford on the Farm's Pavilion, 27-19 last Friday, 16 November 1945.

The opener found Coach Everett, Dean of Stanford, starting his regulars against Dibble's combination of Sam Lugonja, Wd. 5, and Elmer Belsha, Wd. 36, as forwards, Bob Wylie, playing-manager at the center slot, and Frank Whall, Wd. 7 pairing with Stan Pampuch, Enlisted Detachment, at guard.



Both teams showed early anxiety by missing many easy shots, but Stanford height made the difference in ball control. Sam Lugonja was high man for DGH with six points. Bob Wylie was forced to leave the game in the early stages because of a sprained wrist suffered in a free - ball scramble.

Because of the adept performance of the "Dibble Dribblers" in the opening game, Dibble was asked to play the curtain raiser Monday night, 19 November. Stanford played the main event against the San Francisco Marines.

Lt. Banning, Athletic Officer, is still on the lookout for free-booter teams from any department or section in the hospital for the DGH intra-mural program.



The Moffett Raiders' center beat Sam Lugonja to the tap . . . and took the Dibble Dribblers 42 to 37 last Tuesday night in the Post Gym.

BROWSE NOOK



Library Does Big Business With 235 All-Time Daily High

The Post Library, located beyond Ward 16 and across from the Chapel, is open to all patient- and duty personnel during the following hours: 0900-2100 Monday through Friday, 0900-1700 Saturday, 1300-1700 Sunday.

Operated as a unit of Special Services, the library offers about 4300 books, as well as facilities for letter writing, reading newspapers and magazines, and a small study room. Needs of bed patients are met by sending book trucks to the wards three times a week, usually with a Red Cross Grey Lady in charge.

During October, recorded book circulation was 4387, and an all-time high was reached on Monday, 5 November, with a circulation of 235.

The library staff consists of Mrs. Lela C. Meyer, Mrs. Frances Valentine and Miss Wandah Shirley, assistants, and Miss Harriet Arnold, librarian. Capt. Ruth Wilson, WAC, is library officer.

Chanukah Party by B'nai Brith

A "Chanukah Party" is the entertainment scheduled for the RC Rec Hall tomorrow night from 1900 to 2100. Peninsula Lodge, B'nai Brith, will bring hostesses from San Francisco for informal dancing. Patients will receive gifts, and prizes will be furnished for games, stunts and relays.

Red Cross Xmas Dance

Holly and red ribbons will decorate the Rec Hall on 10 December for a pre-Christmas dance. Mat Mateo and "The Morticians" will pound out rhythms for dancing with 90 hostesses from San Jose. Refreshments will be served, and the party will last from 2000 to 230.

44,799 Indorse Army Life

Total voluntary enlistments in the peacetime Regular Army reached 44,799 as of October 19.

Vets Reemployment Rights Are Tested by Courts

By Camp Newspaper Service

Does the Selective Service Act give a veteran the right to reinstatement in his old job, regardless of the seniority rights of non-veteran employees?

This problem, now being threshed out in the courts, is of vast importance not only to ex-servicemen but, to all men and women who work for a living.

Veteran's Job Upheld

The Selective Training and Service Act provides that a veteran shall be restored to his old job "or to a position of like seniority, status, and pay unless the employer's circumstances have changed to make it impossible or unreasonable."

Maj Gen Lewis B. Hershey, Selective Service chief, has ruled that this means that non-veterans of great seniority must be discharged to make way for veterans, if no job otherwise exists for the returning serviceman. In a test case in Brooklyn a United States district judge upheld Gen Hershey. He said:

"... This plaintiff is entitled to come back to his work ... and ... is entitled to work in preference to anyone else who might be working on any of the days he applied for work, except a veteran in his own category."

An opposite view was taken in another test case by Prof Herman A. Gray, who was accepted as an arbitrator by an employer and a veteran. The Hershey ruling, now known as "super-seniority," he said, might bring about "a serious economic and social upheaval." Prof Gray added:

"The older workers carrying family responsibilities which come with maturing years would find themselves displaced, despite their longer service in industry, by younger men who, as a rule, have only themselves to care for. Established industrial organization would be disrupted and thrown into confusion. The task of reconversion to a peacetime economy, difficult at best, would be hampered to a degree that might well prove dangerous."

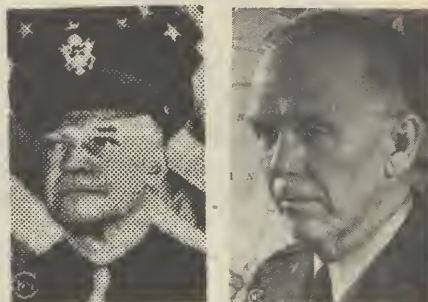
Labor Groups Protest

Both the AFL and CIO stoutly opposed the super-seniority principle on the grounds that it would be unfair to permit a veteran who had worked for one or two years to displace a non-veteran who had worked for the same company for 15 or 20 years.

And at least one employer group, a sub-committee of the Association of American Railroads, said that the ruling is "of doubtful legality" and would have the effect of upsetting the labor agreements and personnel practices which have been in effect in the industry for many years.

The controversy may ultimately be decided in the U. S. Supreme Court.

THE OLD AND THE NEW



General Dwight D. Eisenhower comes in as Chief of Staff while General George C. Marshall bows out to retirement. President Truman announced the change on Tuesday.

Senate Group OKs Job Benefits

Washington (CNS) — The Senate Finance committee has approved and sent to the floor of the Senate a bill broadening the GI Bill of Rights to make it easier for veterans to get loans and schooling.

The bill would do these things:

Authorize government-guaranteed loans based on "reasonable" value of property.

Permit loans to furnish capital for farms and businesses as well as for real estate.

Extend the time limit on repayment of loans to 10 years instead of 5.

Raise the maximum term on home loans from 20 to 25 years and on farm loans from 20 to 40 years.

Open the educational program to veterans irrespective of age.

Increase the living allowance for single veterans attending educational institutions from \$50 to \$65 a month and for veterans with dependents from \$75 to \$90.

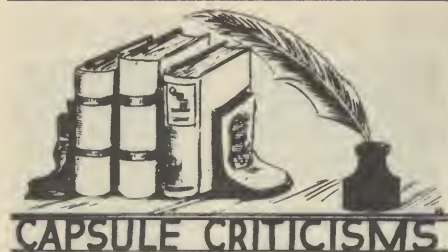
Authorize the VA to enter into agreements with state institutions for payment of tuition to veterans.

Open the way for veterans to take short technical courses or correspondence courses in state-approved institutions with the government footing the tuition bill.

Germans Start To Show Teeth

Frankfort on the Main, Germany (CNS) — Local anti-American activities have increased to such an extent in Germany that there were more attacks on American soldiers in the first week of October than in the preceding 5 months of the occupation, Drew Middleton, New York Times correspondent, has reported.

The situation has become so serious that AMG officials are protesting the withdrawal of 16,000 experienced military government officers between Nov 1 and Dec 15. "Most of the trouble," Middleton said, "stems from the fraternization between German women and American soldiers." He believes another factor involved is the realization, finally, of how long and difficult the winter will be for the Germans.



By H. H. ARNOLD, Librarian

Dibble's dashing devotee of culture and the arts—and we do mean Bill Thuman—has been gently chiding us for the low level of the books mentioned in our column; so, to have a fling at this uplift stuff, and flattered at his implication that we do have some influence with the pen, we inquired what he'd been reading. He generously loaned us his copy of **MAIN-SPRINGS OF CIVILIZATION**, by Ellsworth Huntington, a learned treatise on evolution, heredity, and environment. Realizing we were over our heads, we retreated to safer ground in the form of **THIS**



SIMIAN WORLD, an amusing little book by Clarence Day, which deserves to be better known than it is. Like Huntington, Day tries to see

where Man is going, by knowing where he has been. He is proud to be cousin to the Banderlog, aware of the splendors and limitations of his monkey ancestry and optimistic about the future of this simian world.

Not so optimistic is Harry Bates, in a story which gives his answer to the whither - are - we - trending query. Capt Pokorny told us about this one, says he dreads it at least once a year, as a warning against a too intellectual trend in mankind. It's a short story called "Alas, All Thinking!" which appears in a collection edited by Phil Strong, 25 **MODERN STORIES OF MYSTERY AND IMAGINATION**.

We seem to be well launched on a Readers' Choice list already so we'll give with more on what Dibbleites are reading. Lt Salmeron has been spending his evenings (so he says) with Adler's **HOW TO READ A BOOK**. Sgt Dave Bush tells us we should read **JACOBOWSKY AND THE COLONEL**, a play by Franz Werfel and S. N. Behrman—and if we should, so should you.

"Now I like a good sports story best of all—something like John R. Tunis' **WORLD SERIES**", says Kay Coyner, one of our most omnivorous readers. Major Hession, chief nurse, says she especially liked the Wadeldon autobiography, **MAGGIE NO DOUBT**. Lt Irene Wertenberger still picks the whodunits with the goriest titles, but found time to read also **DAWN OVER THE AMAZON**, Carleton Beals' picture of the next great world conflict, set in South America about 1950.

Mauldin and Nisei Blast Native Fascism at Forum

New York (CNS)—A couple of ex-GIs—Bill Mauldin and Ben Kuroki, a Nisei—stole the show from a ballroom full of brass at the annual New York Herald Tribune Forum sessions at the Waldorf-Astoria here recently.

The brass included Gen Marshall, Gen Eisenhower (who addressed the forum by radio from Berlin), Gen Johathan Wainwright, M/Gen Claire L. Chennault and Navy Captain Harold E. Stassen, former governor of Minnesota. They got the billing but Mauldin and Kuroki got the big applause.

Mauldin, Stars and Stripes cartoonist and author of "Up Front," warned the forum that the war won't be won until the type of fascism fought and conquered overseas is conquered in America. He

said he discerned a strong similarity between what he as a soldier had been taught was evil in the philosophies and methods of Hitler, Mussolini and Hirohito and what he said was being preached in some quarters in the U.S.A.

T/Sgt Ben Kurogi, a Japanese-American farm boy from Nebraska, who flew 30 missions as tail gunner in a Liberator over Europe and 28 more in a Superfortress over the home of his ancestors, told the forum that "the war is not over for me."

The young Nisei airman recalled how he had to fight prejudice to get into combat both in Europe and in the Pacific—while wearing his uniform and decorations—he tried to hail a cab, and was refused because an occupant declared he "wouldn't ride with a Jap."



Each issue, we sit here and attempt to dream up catchy captions for bits like **GENE TIERNEY**, 20TH CENTURY FOX'S torrid looker . . . and brother do we sweat!